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CLARKSBURG, W. VA., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1911.

# SUB-COMMITTEE WORKS OUT THE PRIMARY PLANS

## RINEHART MAN IS BLOWN TO DEATH BY EXPLOSION

When He Drops a Can of Nitroglycerine in Factory at Rineport.

FACTORY WIPED OUT

And Two Horses and a Wagon Also Disappear by Explosion.

S. A. Green, aged 55 years, a driver of a nitroglycerine wagon for the Marietta Torpedo Company, was blown to death, two horses were killed, a nitroglycerine factory was blown into small fragments and a wagon completely disappeared, when an explosion of 1,200 quarts of nitroglycerine occurred at the factory at Rinehart at 9 o'clock Monday morning. The explosion was terrific and it was felt for miles. Green was engaged in loading his wagon with nitroglycerine to drive into the Weston gas field, when he dropped one of the cans at the factory, causing the explosion man, horses, wagon and factory all went up together and there is scarcely a particle of the factory to be found. A search is being made for pieces of the man's body but there is little hope of recovering any considerable portion of his remains.

The factory building was a two-story frame structure thirty by forty feet in dimensions. Where it stood there is only a big, deep hole in the ground, and the earth is torn up a considerable distance.

A magazine nearby containing 1,700 quarts of the deadly explosive did not explode.

Green was married and leaves a wife and four children. The explosion caused great excitement in that section of the county and it was not long before hundreds of persons began to flock to the scene.

## BOOKER WASHINGTON

Appears in Court Today as a Witness against White Assailant.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Booker T. Washington appeared in court here today as the principal witness against Henry A. Ulrich, a white man, who gave the famous negro educator a whipping one night last March, when he found him in the vestibule of an apartment house.

## Taft to Vote

Appears before the Election Board to Get Papers for Registration.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 6.—President Taft prepared to vote tomorrow by appearing before the election board and securing certificates allowing him to register. He was accompanied by Major Butt.

## UNVEILED

Is the Shafer Monument in the Presence of 1,500 People.

TERRA ALTA, Nov. 6.—The dedication of the Shafer memorial monument to William Clemert Shafer, former general secretary of the West Virginia Sunday School Association, was held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All the Sunday school and the Knights of Pythias marched in a body to the cemetery, headed by the Echo band. It is estimated that 1,500 people were in attendance. Dr. L. W. Beerbower, ex-mayor of Terra Alta, presided.

## CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—Wheat closed 92 7-8; corn 62 1-8; oats 46 3-8.

## STORM SWEEPING NORTH SEA TODAY

## WAR MADE

On English Sparrows Down in the State of Texas Now.

HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 6.—The days of the English sparrow in Texas are numbered in the event the department of agriculture carries out its plans for the extermination of this bird, which is so destructive to growing fruit and grain crops. It is believed the campaign will be statewide and successful, for the department has enlisted the co-operation of several county commissioners' courts.

J. W. Neill, director of the Farmers' institutes, under the department of agriculture, has just returned from a month's tour over the agricultural portion of the state and says that the farmers are unanimous that the English sparrow must go. The plan is to establish a system of wire netting and by baiting the enclosure with grain the sparrows will gather therein by the thousands. Poison will then be administered and the birds destroyed.

## NEW ISLAND

In Serpent's Mouth Strait after Burst of Columns of Smoke and Flame.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Nov. 6.—An island has suddenly risen out of the sea at Serpent's Mouth strait between Trinidad and the Venezuelan coast. The phenomenon was preceded by extraordinary commotion in the sea, from which burst great columns of smoke and flames.

## WOMAN ARRAIGNED

While in Bed for the Murder of a Policeman with Poison.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—Mrs. Louise Vermilya, suspected of having poisoned Policeman Bissonette, was ready today to leave her home, where she had been carefully guarded and become a prisoner at the county hospital. Municipal Judge T. Walker has consented to hold court in her room and she will be arraigned while in bed.

## JAMES MURDERED

Is the Belief of a Brother Who is Working on the Case.

PARKERSBURG, Nov. 6.—A. W. James, brother of Carroll James, who at Pennsboro, murdered William Prichard and attempted to kill Mrs. Prichard and his wife, and then presumably shot himself, in a statement made here, claims that his brother was murdered. He says he has proof that his brother did not end his own life, and he is now working with a view of apprehending the man who murdered him.

## FATAL

Injuries Prove to a Switchman on the Chesapeake and Ohio Road.

HARTINGTON, Nov. 6.—Glenn Trowbridge, 21, of St. Albans, a switchman employed by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company in the Russell yards, sustained injuries while at his work Saturday night about 8 o'clock from which he died at the Chesapeake and Ohio hospital in this city shortly before 2 o'clock the next morning.

Members Listen to Suggestions as to Rules and Regulations.

STATE IS THE UNIT

As Provided for By the Republican State Committee Recently.

Plans for the holding of a state-wide Republican primary June 4 next, as authorized by the Republican state executive committee, were debated at a meeting of the sub-committee thereof Monday in the assembly hall of the Waldo hotel. At the Telegram's press time, the discussion was still in progress and no definite action had been taken.

Although the sub-committee sat only for the purpose of devising rules and regulations for the state-wide primary, with the state as a unit, the magisterial district and state convention plan was discussed at the afternoon session. The discussion was started by Herschel C. Ogden, publisher of the Wheeling Intelligencer, who has been an advocate of the district plan. Chairman Matthews asked him if he had any suggestions to offer concerning the state-wide primary plans before the committee, but Mr. Ogden stated he had none as he did not endorse that plan. Disclaiming that he appeared for the purpose of urging that plan, the other plan having been ordered by the full committee, Mr. Ogden finally got warmed up to the subject and presented the merits of the district scheme.

There were objections, however, against this district primary and state convention plan, chiefly in respect to the old idea of instructed delegates, which the state unit plan would sweep away. The incentive to engage in fraud and corruption was gone over. Mr. Ogden and his brother, Howard N., of Fairmont, declared the present state laws relating to primaries and elections were inadequate, but Judge Saunders, who formerly sat upon the state supreme court, read the law from the code and said he thought it covered the subject rather well.

Advocates of the state unit idea set forth that the holding of a single uniform primary election for the nomination of all candidates the same day throughout the whole state would do away with many of the evils connected with the district, delegate and convention scheme. The opponents of this plan thought the district plan would limit the possibilities of fraud to the district and not enable a candidate to roll up a majority, which would be counted in the grand total, in certain districts where corrupt methods could be employed. By this plan a district majority of fifty would do as well as a majority of 500.

The members of the sub-committee are J. M. Saunders, of Bluefield; L. J. Forman, of Petersburg; E. W. Martin, of Buckhannon; Samuel V. Matthews, of Charleston; and Virgil L. Highland, of Clarksburg. All were present when the first session of the committee began except Mr. Forman, who sent a telegram stating that he had been delayed and that he would arrive about 6 o'clock.

Mr. Matthews called the sub-committee to order at 11:30 o'clock in the assembly room of the Waldo hotel and announced organization as the first item of business. Mr. Matthews was chosen chairman of the sub-committee and Mr. Highland secretary.

Two plans submitted by Governor Glasscock, one being a plan for the holding of a state-wide primary as the state as a unit and the other being a plan with the magisterial district as the unit; and four other plans submitted by others were laid before the sub-committee by the secretary.

It was then announced by Mr. Matthews that only the plan having the state as the unit could be considered by the present body as the state committee at a recent conference at Charleston had duly passed a resolution authorizing the holding of a state-wide primary of that kind June 4 next and had appointed this sub-committee for the purpose of laying down rules and regulations

## PEKING ALSO CAPTURED BY THE REBEL CHINKS

An Important Treaty Port Falls into the Hands of the Rebels.

OPERATORS ON STRIKE

But Foreign Marines Are Guarding the Cable Stations Now.

SHANGHAI, China, Nov. 6.—Three Chinese gunboats which put in here today for provisions went over to the rebels today. Ching Kiang, a treaty port second only in importance to Shanghai, fell this afternoon. All is quiet here.

Hang Chow, the capital of the province of Che Kiang, was taken by the rebels yesterday after a spirited resistance.

HONG KONG, Nov. 6.—Six companies of English troops and two regiments of Indian soldiers are ready to proceed to Tien Tsin. There was an extraordinary outbreak of joy here on receipt of the news from Shanghai that Peking had fallen.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—A cablegram to the Chinese newspaper here today says that Peking was captured by the revolutionists after a sharp encounter.

The cablegram from Shanghai also announces the fall of Peking, but it is not confirmed. It is stated that all of the high Manchu officials had fled during the night.

Chinese telegraph operators here struck today, but foreign marines are guarding the cable stations.

The Chinese despatches received at San Francisco probably confuse the situation at Peking with rebel successes elsewhere. Direct dispatches received by the Associated Press from Peking today make no mention of an outbreak in the capital.

The various plans having the state as the unit, however, would be considered at length by the sub-committee. Suggestions were then invited from all those having any to offer.

Judge Freer, of Harrisville, made the point that a statute now in force governed the holding of party primary elections and that it would probably be well for the sub-committee to adhere to it as closely as possible making only such necessary rules as would be deemed necessary. The state election laws and the corrupt practices act were also referred to as obviating the necessity of laying down rules and regulations in that respect by the sub-committee. "The simplest plan would be the best," said Judge Freer, "as the more rules you have the more trouble you will have."

Howard N. Ogden, of Fairmont, also suggested that the general election laws and the statute concerning primaries should be followed. He was of the opinion that much of the trouble in the party was caused by local squabbles and factionalism in some of the counties and that the sub-committee ought to devise a plan to smooth over these difficulties. It was suggested that regular county committees should name delegates in the counties where no factionalism existed but that in those counties where it did exist, both wings should be recognized as having equal power to appoint delegates.

These suggestions precipitated a general discussion among all those present. The question of sharing the expense of the primary was also discussed for some time. One point brought out that nominees in counties nominally Democratic could ill afford to put up as much money as the nominees in Republican counties where they would be some chance of winning an election. Offices in some counties paid more than others, too. The adoption of a uniform schedule of expense fees based upon the estimate of the expense of holding the entire primary, or the regulation of these expense accounts by the local committees were discussed.

A number of prominent men of the party from various parts of the

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## NEW PRESBYTERY WILL BE FORMED

## TEMPERANCE

Lecture is Delivered by the Rev. Mr. Blake, of Chicago, at Jane Lew.

The Rev. W. W. Blake, of Chicago, delivered a temperance lecture at the Jane Lew Methodist Protestant church Sunday morning to an appreciative audience.

The Rev. Mr. Blake comes back to the homeland, the state of his boyhood, old in years, rich with experience, battle scarred, young in heart, fluent in speech, and still on the firing line pouring shot and shell of gospel temperance truths.

This aged gentleman was on the western frontier many years as a missionary. He fought for prohibition in Kansas many years ago, and together with his two sons voted that Oklahoma might come in as a prohibition state.

This old soldier of the cross closed his address with an earnest plea for all men to cast their votes in favor of the ratification of the amendment, that the little Mountain State may be free from rum.

## BLACK HAND

Is Blamed for Death of Contractor Whose Body is Found by Boys.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Nov. 6.—The body of Dominick Alvaro, an Italian contractor, was found yesterday shortly after noon by two boys, one mile north of Hambleton, W. Va. He was constructing a log road for a lumber company. There is evidence that he had been beaten to death and the body hurried over a precipice, where it lay two days. It is thought he was the victim of the Black Hand, as he received a letter some time ago, demanding money or his life. It is thought that the fight which occurred a few weeks ago at Brooklyn Heights, in which two of his countrymen were killed, had something to do with the fate that overtook him. He is survived by his wife and one child.

## SCHOLASTICS

Win Good Game from the Second Ward Team of Fairmont.

The Clarksburg Scholastics defeated the Second Ward football team of Fairmont by the score of twenty-two to nothing in a good clean game Sunday afternoon at Union Park.

The Fairmont team arrived in the city at 11:30, had dinner at the expense of the local boys and went out to the grounds in fine condition with high hopes of a victory. The local team appeared on the field in a few minutes and all the spectators at once agreed that the Fairmont team would walk away with it as it outweighed the local team fifteen pounds to the man, but when the game started, the local boys were too fast for the Fairmonters and in a easy manner ran the score up to twenty-two to nothing.

## FOREST FIRES

Are Raging Along Western Maryland—Big Force Combating Flames.

MARTINSBURG, Nov. 6.—Forest fires are raging along the Western Maryland railroad and all day today big forces labored in effort to check the progress of the flames. The most serious fire is in the woods at Edgemont and a big acreage has already been burned. The fires began last Wednesday and can be seen for miles at night.

At a Meeting to Be Held in the City of Elkins, November 21.

ELKINS, W. Va., Nov. 6.—At the last meeting of the synod of Virginia, held in Winchester, Va., the presbytery of Lexington was divided and a new presbytery on this side of the Alleghenies was formed. This new presbytery is to be known as the Tygart's Valley Presbytery and will comprise among others, the following churches: Sutton, Cassaway, Burnsville, Glenville, Clarksburg, Philippi, Bellington, Ellamore, Huttonsville, Beverly, Alpena, Gladys, Whitmer, Harman, Parsons and Davis Memorial of Elkins. The presbytery will be a very large one in territory, and will be situated in the home mission field of West Virginia. The new presbytery will meet in the Davis Memorial church for organization November 21, at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Rev. C. W. McDonald, of Huttonsville, will be moderator, and he will preach the opening sermon. The Rev. Mr. Grover, of Parsons, will act as stated clerk.

The Rev. G. E. Gammon, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church here, will be one of the ministers attending the meeting.

## PICTURES

Of the Passion Play Are Shown in the Slavonic Church Sunday.

Under the personal direction of the Rev. Father F. J. Pribyl, "The Passion Play, or The Life of Christ," was shown in the church of the Holy Rosary Sunday afternoon and evening for the benefit of the church. It is the wish of all the members of the congregation to have the church completed next summer and Father Pribyl is working hard to raise the necessary funds.

"The Life of Christ" as shown yesterday was in thirty-eight beautifully colored pictures, and represented the holy childhood, ministry, passion, death and resurrection. The life of Moses was also shown and ten scenes from Scripture and Delilah. A few pictures on the life of Columbus and Joan of Arc were also shown.

The church was crowded at both performances and Father Pribyl was well pleased.

## M'DONNELL

Funeral is Held at Old Home at Middletown Monday Afternoon.

The funeral of Willie McDonnell, who died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonnell, of Monticello avenue, Sunday morning at 6:30 o'clock of pneumonia fever was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Middletown.

The funeral party left the home at 9:30 o'clock, taking the 10 o'clock car to Bridgeport and drove from Bridgeport to Middletown, where the services were held in the Middletown church and burial followed in the church cemetery.

## TAFT HOME

Will Leave There Tomorrow Night for Tour of Kentucky and Tennessee.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 6.—President Taft arrived here from Hot Springs, Va., early today. He will remain until tomorrow night, when he will leave for a tour of Kentucky and Tennessee.

## GLEE CLUB ARRIVES

The Chicago Glee Club arrived here today from Parkersburg to appear in the First Methodist Episcopal church at 8 o'clock tonight as the second number of the ministers' entertainment course this year. The club has traveled triumphantly eleven years, giving 3,253 concerts, and it comes here very highly recommended.